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Applicant: Tadashi Shimazaki

Art Unit: 3768

Serial No.: 10/698,310

Examiner: Jaworski, Francis J.

Filed: October 31, 2003

For:

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ULTRASONIC PULSE

TRANSMISSION METHOD AND **ULTRASONIC DIAGNOSTIC**

APPARATUS

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Amendment (19 pgs.), in response to Office Action dated May 5, 2006, and made

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STATUS

2. **Applicant**

claims small entity status.

is other than a small entity.

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EXTENSION OF TERM

The proce apply.											
(complete (a) or (b), as applicable)											
(a)	Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 (Fees: 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)-(d) for the total number of months checked below:)										
	Extension for response within:	Other than small entity Fee	Small entity Fee (if applicable)								
	first month	\$ 120.00	\$ 60.00								
	second month	\$ 450.00	\$ 225.00 \$ 510.00								
	third month	\$ 1,020.00									
	fourth month	\$1,590.00	\$ 795.00								
	fifth month	\$2,160.00	\$1,080.00								
		Fee:	\$								
If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.											
(Check and complete the next item, if applicable)											
An extension of months has already been secured. The fee paid therefor \$ is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested.											
Extension fee due with this request \$											
OR											
(b) X Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.											
	apply. (a)	(complete (a) of (Fees: 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)-(d) Extension for response within: first month second month third month fourth month fifth month fifth month the complete the new fifth month fifth month fifth month Extension of time is required, place of extension now requested. Extension fee due with the fifth month fifth	apply. (complete (a) or (b), as applicable) (a) Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 3' (Fees: 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)-(d) for the total number of motor (Fees: 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)-(d) for the total numbe								

FEE FOR CLAIMS

4.	The fee	for cla	ims (37 (C.F.R. 1.16(b)-(d)) has t	een calculated as s	hown	below:			
	(Col. 1) CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT			(Col. 2)	(Col. 3)	SMALL ENTITY		SMALL ENTITY			
				HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA	ADDITIONAL. RATE FEE	OR	ADDITIONAL RATE FEE			
TOTAL			MINUS		=	x \$25.00 = \$		x \$50.00 = \$			
INDEP.			MINUS		=	x \$100.00 = \$		x \$200.00 = \$			
	FIRS	Γ PRESEN	TATION OF	MULTIPLE DEP.	CLAIM	+\$180.00 = \$		+ \$360.00 = \$			
L						TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE \$	OR	TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE \$			
(a) No additional fee for Claims is required											
OR											
	(b) Total additional fee for claims required \$										
FEE PAYMENT											
5.		Attach	ned is a c	heck in the s	um of \$	 					
	Charge Deposit Account No. 01-2384 the sum of \$ A duplicate of this transmittal is attached.										
FEE DEFICIENCY											
6.	\boxtimes	If any additional extension and/or fee is required, charge Deposit Account No. 01-2384.									
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7.		Other:				2 w.M	~				
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AMENDMENT

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In response to the Office Action dated May 5, 2006, and made final, Applicant respectfully requests consideration and entry of the following amendment.